Tonto National Forest, 2324 East McDowell Road, Phoenix, Arizona 85006 www.fs.usda.gov/Tonto

Contact: Fire Information Officer

928-266-6279

For Immediate Release October 2, 2011 - 1400 hrs.

Tanner fire on Pleasant Valley Ranger District, Tonto National Forest 72 percent contained

Part of Hwy. 288 remains closed through weekend

Young, Ariz., October 2, 2011 - 1400 hrs.

Fire Facts

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Incident Commander : Jeremy Human	
Data started 00/20/2011 1/20 hrs	Number of neugannel, 152
Date started: 08/20/ 2011 1430 hrs	Number of personnel: 153
Location: 19 miles south of Young, Arizona	Resources committed:
Lat: 33 50' 06"	6 crews
Long: 111 00' 37"	6 engines
Cause: Lightning	Aircraft: 1 helicopter
Size: 5,5000 acres (improved mapping)	
Percent contained: 72	Demobilization begins: Oct. 2
Terrain: Steep	Estimated Cost to date: \$2,027,000
Fuel: Light logging slash	Closure: Stretch of Hwy. 288

Summary: Pleasant Valley Ranger District fire specialists are managing the lightning-caused Tanner wildfire, about 19 miles south of Young, Ariz., which began on August 20 near the peak of Armer Mountain in the Sierra Anchas. The size of the fire is about 5,500 acres (size change due to improved mapping), and is now 72 percent contained.

There will be a significant demobilization of resources after today.

Hwy. 288 continues to be temporarily closed from McFadden (milepost 290) south to the A-Cross Road (milepost 270) and will remain closed at least through the weekend.

For more information about the road closure, visit the Arizona Department of Transportation's travel information site at www.az511.gov or call 5-1-1 from within Arizona, or contact the Gila County Sheriff's Office at (928) 474-2208 and press 3.

For district information, call the Pleasant Valley Ranger District offices at 928-462-4300. To report a wildland fire, the fire emergency number is 866-746-6516, or dial 9-1-1.

For further information about the fire, visit http://www.inciweb.org/incident/2705/ or www.fs.usda.gov/Tonto.

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For general information on fire activity and restrictions in Arizona call toll free 877-864-6985, or visit the. **Southwest Coordination Center website:** http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/ or http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/ or http://www.publiclands.org/firenews/AZ.php

Useful Websites:

National Incident Information System www.inciweb.org
Southwest Coordination Center: http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/

National Interagency Fire Center: www.nifc.gov
National Fire Plan: www.forestsandrangelands.gov

FireWise: www.firewise.org

ARIZONA Websites:

www.azfireinfo.com (fire prevention and restrictions)

www.publiclands.org/firenews/AZ.php (fire restrictions and other public lands information)

www.azsf.az.gov. (wildfire information and Firewise)

<u>www.azein.gov</u> (Arizona Emergency Information Network for ALL hazard emergency and disaster information)

Fire Restriction Information: Toll free 1 (877) 864-6985

To report a wildfire, call 1-866-746-6516 or dial 911.